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General Memoranda.

Tuesday, May 12:—
11 a.m.—Auction of Sundry Old R. E. Stores, at R. E. Store Yard.

Wednesday, May 13:—
Goods per *Kawachi Maru* not cleared on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Tientsin* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

Transfer Books of The Hongkong Steam Water Boat Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 30th May, inclusive.

Friday, May 15:—
Transfer Books of The Star Ferry Co., Ltd., closed from this date to 20th May, inclusive.

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Monday, May 18:—
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Lands at the Public Works Department's Office.



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At the Union Church, by the Rev. C. H. Hickling on 30th April, ORTO WAGNER, to BERTHA LEHR, both from Ottoville, Germany.

At the Presbyterian Church, Penang, on the 25th April, by the Rev. John S. McKnight, M.A., assisted by the Rev. Wm. Murray, M.A., Singapore, GEORGE WILLIAMSON PARK, M.B., C.M., H.S.O., Municipal Health Officer, Penang, to JEANETTE ALLAN ROBIN, only daughter of John Stronach, Esq., Penang.

DEATH.

At the Government Civil Hospital, on the 8th May, 1903, Capt. JENS ANTON ARLMANN; Aged 79 years.

The publication of this issue commenced at 6.00 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 9, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Absconding Secretary.

The day fixed for the trial of R. P. Moffitt, the absconding secretary of the Dairy Farm, is Friday, the 15th inst. Moffitt is under the charge of Sergeant Farmer, of the Detective staff, and is expected to arrive here on Monday, the 11th inst., by the *Indrapura*.

Rainfall.

The following table gives the monthly rainfall at the Observatory to the end of April, with the means and extremes for the previous 19 years:—

	1883	Mean	1884-1903
January	1.37	1.32	8.43
February	0.21	1.94	7.95
March	2.65	2.62	10.43
April	4.72	5.61	14.89

Hospitals.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherlands Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Hu Ngok Liu	\$ 25
D. MacDonald	20
Lefferts Knox	10
Wong Ho Chien	10
Hon. A. G. Wise	10
D. W. Craddock	5
Dartly & Co.	5
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Training College in Bangkok.

The Bangkok Times understands that the building which was formerly the residence of the Regent in Bangkok, and which till recently has been known as King's College, is to be opened next month as a training college for teachers. The new institution will be in addition to the existing training College at Wat Thepsirind, and is intended for pupils from the Interior. Luang Bannet Worsan is to be the headmaster, with three assistants.

Band Performance.

The following is the Programme of music to be played by the Band of the 10th Bombay Light Infantry, on the New Parade Ground, on Monday next, the 11th May, from 5 to 6.30 p.m.:—
March..... Shoreham, P. Blancheton
Overture..... Stradella..... Flotow
Scenes and Arias..... L'Assoluto D'Ar Verdi
Selection..... The Barrack-room Ballads..... Gerard
Bassoon Solo..... The Scotch Melodies..... Godfrey
Selection..... A Night in Berlin..... Hartmann
GOD SAVE THE KING.

The New Official Telegraph Code.

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce has addressed the Director General of Telegraphs on the subject of the new official telegraph code vocabulary recently compiled. Eight important codes are not utilized in compilation, and the Chamber requests that this information be communicated to the Director of the International Bureau Telegraph Administration at Bern, and placed before the Delegate from India at the International Telegraph Conference to be held in London next month. The Chamber strenuously urges upon the Government of India that instructions be given to the Delegate at the International Conference to oppose the proposal to make the adoption of this vocabulary compulsory.

The Philippines Currency.

A New York telegram to the *Manila Cablenews*, dated May 2, states:—Six hundred thousand dollars of the new Philippine coins will be shipped to Manila on the United States Transport *Thomas*, shortly, from San Francisco. The work of completion of the authorized number of new pesos is being pushed forward with all possible speed, and it is believed that the first five millions will be coined by the middle of May. It will be remembered that, by the act of Congress authorizing the new Philippine currency, it is necessary that twenty millions of the new coins be minted before the money becomes legal tender for all debts public and private in the Philippine islands. By the provisions of the same act, also, it is made incumbent upon the government to receive the old peso and other coins issued by the Spanish government in payment of public dues until such time after January first 1904, as the circulation of the old peso is discontinued by proclamation of the Civil Governor.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

Inward Parcels by s.s. *Valente* are now ready for delivery.

The steamers *Skranstad* and *Saunder* have been bought by Japanese.

Dr. E. A. R. Ling is added to the official list of Justices of the Peace.

It is rumoured, says *Punch*, that swagger canes are to be abolished in the Guards!

This is an age when absence of backbone is called conciliation, and resolution is termed tyranny.

The wife of Mr. Lester, superintendent of the Empress Botanical Gardens, died of plague at Poona on April 5.

Advices from Cape Town state that 290 of the Kaffir Rifles have volunteered for service in Somaliland.

The Commemoration Service, which was to have taken place at St. Paul's on the 21st inst., has been abandoned.

From the 8th inst., for a period of six months no dog brought from Hanoi will be permitted to land in this Colony.

Four of the Leinsters, who were condemned to death at Pretoria, have been reprieved. The fifth will be executed.

Whit Monday, 1st June, will be a holiday in the Government Offices. The Magistracy will not observe the holiday.

It is expected that the *Spartiate* will sail for England on the 20th inst. She will then reft before going out to Australia as the new flagship.

Mr. H. I. Chope, P. and O. Agent at Singapore for the last three years, left for England, on holiday, on the 1st inst. He is succeeded by Mr. L. S. Lewis.

The Emperor of Japan conferred the 3rd-class Order of the Rising Sun on the late Marquis de Nembrini-Gonzaga before he died and raised him to the 5th rank.

The appointment of Mr. Stephen Trotey Dunn to be Superintendent of the Botanical and Arborescence Department, in succession to Mr. Charles Ford (resigned), is gazetted.

On his way to Australia, H. W. Stevenson, billiard ex-champion, played several exhibition games in Colombo, conceding long odds. He was defeated in one game.

The man who murdered Kim Ok-kin in Shanghai, Hong Chung, has been appointed Governor of Quelpert and is making life very hard for the 1,500 Japanese on the island.

Japan had made an agreement with Russia for a regular dispatch of mails from Japan to Russia by the trans-Siberian railway. The mails are to travel from Tokio to St. Petersburg in 24 days.

The Societe de l'est Asiatique Francaise steamer *Comedie*, which is due at Hongkong on the 22nd inst., went ashore at Cape Saint James, at the mouth of the Saigon River. No serious damage is reported.

A Mississippi Boat Race.

Mark Twain characteristically supports Sir Thomas Lipton's proposal for an old-fashioned Mississippi River steamboat race, in connection with the St. Louis Fair. He suggests a six-days' run from New Orleans to St. Louis, with negro chanteuse singers, pitchpine torches, and all the old-time picturesque accompaniments. There should be nothing modern except wireless reports at frequent intervals throughout the United States. Mark Twain concludes:—'An old-time blow-up in the home stretch need not be arranged for, it being better left to prayer and Providence.'

'Brown' Again.

It may be remembered that about two months ago H. A. Brown, styled as master mariner, was charged with stealing an overcoat from the Hongkong Club, for which offence, when charged before Mr. Kemp, he was discharged with a caution. Heedless of the caution given by the Magistrate, Brown entered the Officers' Mess of the 33rd Bombay Infantry, and 'walked away' with a silver watch and chain, which he pawned. For that offence, he was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, which term he has lately served. This morning Brown's name was again called, and he stood before Mr. Kemp, to answer a charge of vagrancy, which was prosecuted by L. S. Perkins (18). He was ordered to the house of detention.

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TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

THE TRANSVAAL LOAN.

LONDON, May 7, 1903.

Lombard Street was chiefly occupied yesterday in preparing for the Transvaal loan. Bankers and Discount Houses have harboured all funds, and loans due to the Bank of England are being renewed. Funds arriving from the Continent are also being reserved for the loan.

THE NEAR EAST.

In consequence of the recent outrages at Salonika, the Porte has sent a strong protest to Bulgaria, protesting against the ineffectual surveillance of the frontier.

THE KAISER.

The Kaiser has left Rome.

THE TRANSVAAL LOAN.

Thirty Millions of the Transvaal loan, out of the £35,000,000 sanctioned, will be issued at par, bearing interest at 3 per cent per annum. The loan will be repayable in 1953 by a one per cent sinking fund. There was an unprecedented scene in connection with the loan. A crowd of a thousand were at the gates of the Bank early in the morning, though the prospectus was to be issued only in the afternoon.

Exportation of Arms.

The export of arms and ammunition from this Colony is prohibited for another period of six months from 28th inst.

Kwang-si Famine.

At all the services in connection with Union Church to-morrow, collections will be made on behalf of the Kwang-si Famine Fund.

Hongkong Christian Union.

The Rev. T. W. Pearce will lead the prayer meeting which will be held on Monday evening, at 5.15, in the room of the Union, 13 Beaconsfield Arcade. All are cordially invited.

Meteorological.

During the month of April, the highest temperature recorded at the Hongkong Observatory was 83.5 on the 22nd, and the lowest 62, on the 4th, the mean for the month being 72.4. There were only 80 hours of sunshine. The prevailing direction of the wind was East by South.

Bank Note Issue.

The following returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during March, are certified by the managers of the respective banks:—

Banks.	Average Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	3,467,623 1,750,030
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	10,377,093 7,000,000
National Bank of China, Limited	447,343 160,000
Total	\$14,282,064 \$8,950,030

Suicide in the Gaol.

A native woman, who was arrested by Mr. Hudson, R.G.O., on a charge of kidnapping a native girl, about 15 years of age and compelling her to become a prostitute against her will, was found dead in her cell this morning. She was remanded by M. F. A. Hazland, on the 6th inst., when charged with the offence, and as the case was called this morning, a constable was sent into the gaol to bring her to trial. It was quite a surprise to both the constable and gaoler in charge, when they neared the door of the cell, and found the guilty prisoner hanging stone dead, to the door, by a piece of queue string. During the night she had been admitted to gaol, shouts were heard to come from the direction of the cell. The deceased, seeing a conviction was certain, untied her queue-string and hanged herself. The charge against her was, of course, withdrawn.

The Fashionable Blouse.

Our London correspondent writes:—Blouses are showing yet another change to render them still more firmly in the somewhat fickle love of ladies bent on smart dressing. It is now ordained that the most up-to-date blouse should be made with a very flat yoke, for the most part transparent, sloping with hardly a perceptible join from the shoulders down to within four inches of the elbows, where they are allowed to flow from tucked, tight fitting material into loose, butterfly sleeves, which, however pretty, are decidedly uncomfortable wear. Where the yoke ends, a pretty, lace-edged flounce of the same material is arranged, stretching from shoulder to shoulder both in front and across the back, and this flounce almost to the waist. In some cases the back flounce is dispensed with, and I myself prefer this, as otherwise, unless a girl is wonderfully straight, it is apt to give her a round-shouldered appearance. Of course, chiffons and soft silks are more suitable to this style, and, if stiffer materials are used, it is better to carry the flounce out entirely in lace.

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LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 10.

The King has now reached Gibraltar after a visit to Portugal which has been a triumphant success, as it seems to have given unbounded pleasure alike to His Majesty and to the nation which is the oldest ally of Great Britain. The visit has not been without its political significance, for King Edward, in reply to various addresses, made speeches which were not only pleasant in the appropriateness of their compliments, but into two or three cases were a declaration of policy. Special value has been attached to the passage in the speech delivered to the Portuguese Associated Chambers of Commerce, in which, after referring to the commercial relations between England and Portugal, which shed a gleam of light on the civilization of the middle ages, King Edward expressed the hope that the two countries might jointly contribute to the further expansion of trade and industry in their respective colonies, the integrity and preservation of which is one of his dearest aims. This, in other words, is not alone an admission that there is no rivalry between the two countries, but a declaration that there is no possibility of rivalry.

The *Daily Telegraph* is one of the few London newspapers that seldom takes a partisan view of any subject, and consequently the letters which they have found room for during the last fortnight on the question of party loyalty have aroused much interested political attention. It is an undoubted fact that Mr. Brodick's army scheme gives opportunity for much unkind but deserved criticism; still, according to all traditions, Members should support the party, the enunciation of whose principles gave them a seat in Parliament. For some while past, there has been a thorn in the side of steadfast Conservatives in the form of what is called the Fourth Party, who have seized upon the unfortunate Secretary of War as a weapon to bring the present Government into disfavour. Avowedly staunch to their side, their evident object has been to bring about a general election with the hope that a new Government might be formed with the Earl of Rosebery at its head. But I think it has been very clearly demonstrated that such unfair tactics have very far from met with public approbation.

Now that the Prince and Princess of Wales have taken up their residence at Marlborough House, Her Royal Highness will doubtless take her place, after Queen Alexandra, as the leader of London society. Certain it is that the Princess's noted grace and charm of manner ensure success for any entertainment that she may attend; and, as if in direct contradiction to the malicious rumours about the Prince, to which, I have already referred, their Royal Highnesses will be present at endless public functions during this and next month. Everything in furniture and fabric in Marlborough House is of British manufacture, even the decorative embroideries.

On the occasion of the marriage of Miss Nellie Samuel, the daughter of the Lord Mayor, to Mr. W. H. Levy, at the Mansion House, traffic was almost entirely suspended, so eager were folk to catch a glimpse of the more distinguished visitors. The wedding was certainly invested with exceptional interest. Not only was it the first time that such a ceremony had been performed in the official residence of London's Lord Mayor, but it was carried out with all the rites that pertain to a Jewish wedding. The service was conducted by the Chief Rabbi, and the bride and bridegroom stood under a beautiful canopy of white satin, with gilt poles, which was held by some of their friends. The bride was dressed in white satin, veiled with magnificent Brussels lace, and a long Court train of silver brocade fell from her shoulders. The presents, which numbered more than 600, included a box of Chinese embroideries from the Chinese Minister and Madame Chang, and Viscount and Viscountess Hayashi presented them with a silver scent casket. The Corporation Committees and City companies also gave very handsome gifts, and then there were those which came from personal friends.

The Englishwoman of to-day is a totally different specimen of humanity to what she was at the beginning of the last reign, and there is hardly a sphere of usefulness or field of sport into which she does not now enter as ardently as her brother. Endless society gentlemen take the keenest interest in sports of all kinds, and for their convenience the Ladies' Field Club is to be opened in London. Gambling of any description is to be entirely excluded and the members will simply discuss, or put forward schemes of improvement, regarding their own particular hobby. Lady Aberdeen, who is devoted to her dogs, will be the chairwoman of the executive committee. The special attractions include a coach which will run to Ranelagh and Hurlingham, and there will also be a horse-boat at Henley during regatta week.

An interesting and new departure in matters musical was presented recently at one of the Sunday League Concerts, by the band of the Coldstream Guards, who were entrusted with the first performance of a fantasia written by Mr. Edgar F. Jacques and Mr. J. Mackenzie Rogan entitled 'Our Indian Empire.' Considering the complexity of the Indian system, which embraces something like 72 scales, the result was most effective. Old Indian melodies of the Central Provinces of Northern India, Bengal and Bombay are woven into this fantasia with daring beauty. The Hymn of Vishnu, dance tunes, the famous Taza ba Taza, and the beautiful 'Hori' hymn are introduced, and, strange to say, although to European minds a little weird, the result is, wonderfully pleasing. The closing combination of 'God Save the King' and the Danish National Anthem, together with an Indian melody, typifies the best of this original attempt, and won for the composers most hearty congratulation.

Electric tramway locomotion is taking even farther steps afield, and the latest addition to the system of the London United Tramways Company covers the ground between Twickenham right to the gates of Hampton Court Palace. Many of the local authorities of the places through which these cars run regard them as unmitigated nuisances in the same way as folk were wont to think of George Stephenson's railway, and in order to pacify these sleepy stay-at-homes, who forget that cheap and quick conveyance from a suburb to the City must necessarily send up house and ground rents, the Company have found it necessary to carry out many improvements en route and buy up ground through which they wished to pass. Indeed, these twelve miles cost them £200,000.

However, this has resulted in a great gain for the public at large. The famous Garrick Villa, where David Garrick built a Grecian temple to Shakespeare, has been purchased, and will henceforth be used as a pleasure resort; electric launches also being employed for the delectation of visitors at a spot which was formerly a rendezvous for the most noted actors and wits of the period.

Kwangsi Famine Fund.

Subscription lists will be found at the following places:—Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong Dispensary, Messrs. Brown & Co., Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., and German Club.

The S.S. 'Benarty.'

There was a rumour current yesterday to the effect that the S.S. *Benarty*, 2,510 tons, owned by Messrs. Thompson and Co., had run ashore in the vicinity of Moji, but on inquiries being made at Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Co., to-day, we were informed that no direct information had been received regarding the rumour. It is believed that the *Benarty* is safe.


A Pick-pocket Gang.

Yesterday, L. S. Kerr (8) arrested six notorious native characters at No. 316, Queen's Road Central, an unemployed house, where a collection of sharp knives for slitting pockets, house-breaking implements, bundles of clothing, and piles of pawn-tickets were found. The pawn-tickets would probably lead to the tracing of stolen goods, such as gold watches, silver and gold chains, jadestone earrings, and many other goods, which were disposed of for about \$201, the pawning rate. This morning the prisoners were charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp, who remanded them for a week.

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By Order,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
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Sanitary Board Room,
May 9, 1903. 1010

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R. J. MACGOWAN,
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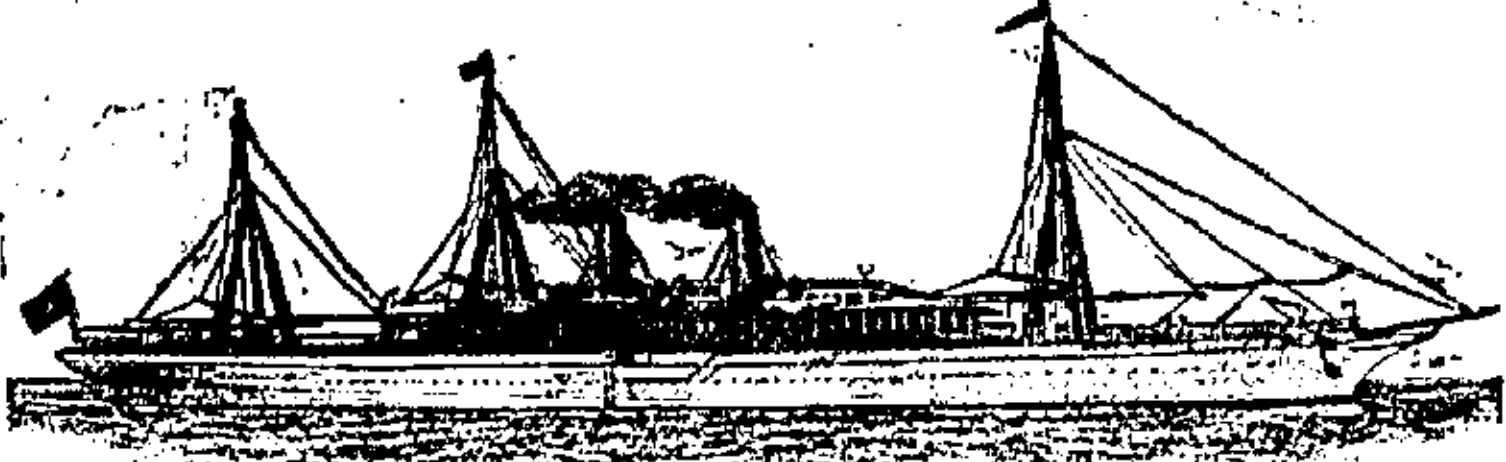
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